



Board of Light, Gas and Water Commissioners

220 S. Main Street
Memphis, TN 38103
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Board Meeting

~ Minutes ~

Wednesday, May 21, 2025

8:30 AM

Board Room

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CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING REMARKS:

Vice Chairman Person

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m.

Vice Chairman Person thanked everyone for being at the meeting, thanked the rate payers and thanked any City Council Members that were present.

Vice Chairman Person took time to list some positive things about MLGW. Vice Chair Person first noted that our water supply and water quality is still rated very high and gave a round of applause. Vice Chair Person also stated that our reliability is super, super incredible referring to the recent storms that came through and that most of the utilities stayed on.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Vice Chairman Person

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL:

Rodney Cleek

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Michael Pohlman	Chairman	Absent	
Cheryl Pesce	Board Member	Present	
Carl Person	Vice Chairman	Present	
Mitch Graves	Board Member	Present	
Leon Dickson	Board Member	Absent	
James Lewellen	Advisory Board Member	Present	
John Butler	Advisory Board Member	Present	

APPROVALS:

Vice Chairman Person

Motion To: Approve Minutes from the Meeting of May 7, 2025.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Cheryl Pesce, Board Member
SECONDER: Mitch Graves, Board Member
AYES: Cheryl Pesce, Carl Person, Mitch Graves
ABSENT: Michael Pohlman, Leon Dickson

CITY COUNCIL ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & UPDATE:

Rodney Cleek

Acknowledged receipt of Certified Copies of City Council Resolutions dated May 6, 2025, Items 18 through 25. (See Minute File No.1506)

PRESENTATIONS:**Junior Achievement Bowl-a-Thon Results Presentation - Alonzo Weaver**

Mr. Alonzo Weaver, SVP and COO, who is a Member of the Jr. Achievement Board, presented to the MLGW Board of Commissioners the results of the Jr. Achievement 2025 Bowl-a-Thon. Mr. Weaver reported the Jr. Achievement raised over \$113,000.00 and that MLGW Employees raised \$26,500.00 of that amount. Mr. Weaver reported the MLGW had 40 teams at this year's event. Mr. Weaver stated that Albert Brooks won the award for "Big Role Impact Leader Award" for raising the most money by an individual. Mr. Brooks raised \$1,984.00 and was rewarded with a plaque and an autographed Grizzlies Basketball. Mr. Weaver recognized Joan Brown and Gyton Nolan for their hard work organizing the event. Mr. Weaver stated that Ms. Joan Brown has helped with this fundraiser for 20 years. Mr. Weaver had a plaque for Ms. Brown.

Vice Chairman Person thanked Mr. Weaver for his presentation and stated that Jr. Achievement helps over 40,000 students each year.

GENERAL STATEMENT(S) FROM THE PUBLIC:

Vice Chairman Person read into record the policies and procedures for making comments at the Board Meeting.

Angea Stewart-Woods - 797 Baltimore Street, Memphis, TN - Ms. Stewart-Woods appeared before the Board to pay compliment to the Downtown Community Office. Ms. Stewart - Woods named several employees that assisted her as well as the security officers stating that they exceeded the MLGW Mission Statement. Ms. Stewart-Woods stated that she went into the Downtown Office and they recognized her issue, and had it resolved within 24 hours. Ms. Stewart-Woods thanked all the employees and the security officers for all their hard work.

Review Consent Agenda – President Doug McGowen

The original of the resolutions and documents relating to each item is filed in the vault of the fifth floor of the MLGW Administration Building, 220 South Main. The original documents shall control in the event of any conflict between the description and these minutes and the original documents.

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CONSENT AGENDA

(Items 1 through 13)

Motion to: Approve Consent Agenda Items 1 through 13.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Mitch Graves, Board Member
SECONDER:	Cheryl Pesce, Board Member
AYES:	Cheryl Pesce, Carl Person, Mitch Graves
ABSENT:	Michael Pohlman, Leon Dickson

Advisory Board Member James Lewellen - Concurs

Advisory Board Member John Butler - Concurs

Commissioners had an opportunity to ask questions.

1. Resolution approval of Change No. 4 to Contract No. 12277, Drilled Pier Foundations Installation with Chris-Hill Construction Company to renew and expand the scope of the current contract in the funded amount of \$200,000.00. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
2. Resolution approving Change No. 3 to Contract No. 12247, Gas Transmission Rights-of-Way (ROW) Mowing and Tree Trimming with ABC Professional Tree Services, Inc. to ratify, renew and expand the scope of the current contract in the funded amount of \$750,000.00. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
3. Resolution awarding purchase order for a General Monitors / MSA Hazard Watch Fire & Hazard Panel to BBP Sales, LLC in the amount of \$261,341.63. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
4. Resolution approving the selection of professionals in connection with the proposed issuance of Series 2025 Electric System Revenue Bonds. (Rodney Cleek) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
5. Resolution approving plans to issue tax-exempt Series 2025 Electric System Revenue Bonds in an original aggregated principal amount of not to exceed \$250,000,000. (The Division intends to use a portion of the proceeds of the Bonds to reimburse the Division for costs incurred prior to the issuance of the Bonds. Under federal tax law, in order for the proceeds of tax-exempt Bonds to be used to reimburse the Division for prior expenditures, the Division and the City must declare their official intent to reimburse the Division for prior expenditures with proceeds of the Bonds. This resolution will constitute such declaration of official intent and will allow the Division to utilize a portion of the Bond proceeds to reimburse the Division for capital expenditures incurred on or after the date that is sixty days prior to the approval date of this Resolution by the City. (Rodney Cleek) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

6. Resolution awarding Contract No. 12496, North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) Virtual Server Environment to CDW Government, LLC in the funded amount of \$371,232.22. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
7. Resolution approving Change No. 5 to Contract No. 12267 (formerly Purchase Order# 7017597), MicroFocus License Renewal with Thomas Consultants, Incorporated to renew the current contract in the funded amount of \$409,291.85. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
8. Resolution awarding Contract No. 12608 (Formerly Contract No. C2757), Commercial Credit Card Services, to First Horizon Bank, with no annual fee. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
9. Resolution approving the ratification of Purchase Order Number 7068638 to Altec Industries Incorporated for a class 6 regular cab bucket truck in the amount of \$198,761.25. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
10. Resolution approving the ratification of Purchase Order Number 7068637 with Lonnie Cobb Ford LLC for half-ton four-wheel drive pickup trucks in the amount of \$1,004,675.00. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
11. Resolution awarding purchase order for an SF6 service cart with trailer to DILO Company, Inc. in the amount of \$192,401.57. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
12. Resolution awarding Contract No. 12542, Hickory Hill Service Center Re-Roof to B-Four Plid, Inc. in the funded amount of \$722,973.00. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
13. Resolution approving Change No. 6 to Contract No. 12043, Property & Boiler Insurance with FM Global to extend the current contract in the funded amount, based on approved rates, not-to-exceed \$2,578,887.00. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

PRESIDENT'S BRIEFING

Bridgewater Consulting Presentation - Timothy Davis / Ernie Lewis, Sr. VP, Bridgewater Consulting Group

Mr. Timothy Davis, VP Customer Experience and Energy Services, spoke to the Board regarding the work being done to improve our billing system and the work that Bridgewater Consulting has been doing. Mr. Davis introduced Mr. Ernie Lewis of Bridgewater Consulting.

Mr. Ernie Lewis, Sr. VP of Bridgewater Consulting, appeared before the Board to present information about Bridgewater consulting and all the work they have been doing. Mr. Lewis began by providing information regarding Bridgewater's expertise and business. Mr. Lewis mentioned that they have opened an Extension Office for Bridgewater Consulting in Memphis. Mr. Lewis then discussed the meter-to-cash process and all the ways Bridgewater consulting performed work for MLGW in an effort to improve this process. Mr. Lewis discussed their findings from this investigation, and then provided eight recommendations for transformation.

Commissioners had an opportunity to ask questions.

Other - Doug McGowen

President McGowen made comments regarding Mr. Lewis' presentation and Mr. Davis commented on how many delayed bills we currently have.

President McGowen mentioned that MLGW hosted the 100th Anniversary of Tom Lee's heroic rescue of individuals from the Mississippi River. The event was put on by the Engineers Club of Memphis as many of the individuals rescued were engineers.

President McGowen also informed the Board that individuals from MLGW had an opportunity to tour the new Hyosung HICO facility.

President McGowen stated that MLGW had a several teams that assisted Habitat for Humanity in building four homes.

President McGowen discussed the success of the Developers Open House that was held in the Auditorium of the Administration Building and how recent changes in our policy allow Developers the option to install their own infrastructure to MLGW standards.

President McGowen also mentioned the solar and battery RFP, the water quality report, our winning Water Tapping Team, and lastly, that last night the City Council approved with Same Night Minutes our 5G private network.

Commissioner Pesce recognized Lashell Vaughn for being named one of the Top 50 Women Leaders in Memphis.

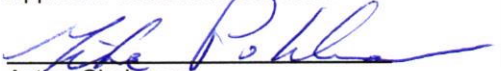
COMMITTEE REPORTS:

(None)


ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m. (See Minute File No. 1506)

Approved Without Interlineation


Acting Chairman

These Minutes Compiled by Under signed
and are Correct


Secretary-Treasurer